Nixon to Speak Again On Watergate Issue

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President Nixon will discuss the Watergate case again "in an appropriate forum" but not necessarily in a press conference, White House press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said yesterday.

Although Ziegler has promised several times in recent weeks that the President would soon hold a news conference, he suggested yesterday that some other forum is being considered.

Ziegler said that Mr. Nixon "will address" the Watergate issue again but that he was not sure whether it would be in a speech, press conference or some other forum. Ziegler ruled out testimony by the President before a congressional committee.

In answer to questions, the press secretary said that there are still national security limitations on the investigation of the Watergate case, but he said that there "is no restriction at all on efforts to determine wrongdoing."

Neither Ziegler nor acting counsel Leonard Garment would define the limits on national security information.

Garment said, however, that there is a continuing restriction on publication of the documents relating to domestic intelligence gathering which former counsel John W. Dean III placed in a bank vault.

The documents have been turned over to Federal District Judge John J. Sirica and have been made available to the special senate investigating committee on a confidential basis.

The President said in a statement isued Tuesday that last year he instructed H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichmanl then his chief aides, to make sure the investigation of Watergate did not expose "an unrelated covert operation of the CIA or the activities of the White House investigations unit."

But the President said in his statement that it was not his intention to impede the Watergate investigation "in any way."